

NO GENERAL STRIKE, W. G. LEE PREDICTS

'Average Labor Leader Not Insane,' Says Head of Railroad Trainmen.

ENDS BALLOT COUNTING

Awaits the Decision of Other Unions Before Acting on Wage Protests.

CLEVELAND, Oct. 8.—Prediction that there would be no general strike on the part of the railroad transportation brotherhoods was made today by William G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen. Mr. Lee based his prediction on his belief that "the average labor leader is not insane to the extent of not recognizing conditions as they now exist."

Asked whether he admitted the possibility of a strike on any one railroad, he replied that it was possible, but he did not admit its probability.

Mr. Lee returned yesterday from Chicago, having supervised the canvass of the strike vote of more than 150,000 members of his organization, taken in protest against the 12 per cent. wage reduction ordered by the United States Railroad Labor Board, effective July 1.

Mr. Lee declined to be a party to the joint strike ballot of the other brotherhoods sent out early in September, claiming nothing could legally be included in such a ballot according to the Esch-Cummings law except the wage reduction of July 1, since the Labor Board had not made a decision on other subjects mentioned in the joint ballot.

Mr. Lee prepared and submitted a separate ballot for the train and yard men. The vote returned, he said, was in excess of 88 per cent. in favor of a strike, with the following provisions:

"We further request that our membership on this railroad be authorized to withdraw from service on the same day and hour that the membership of either the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Order of Railway Conductors or Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen of this road is authorized to stop work as a result of the vote taken by such organizations in connection with the wage reduction of July 1."

"The next move is up to the other organizations," Mr. Lee declared. He made public in part a letter of October 8 addressed to Grand Chief Warren S. Stone of the engineers, President W. S. Carter of the firemen and President L. E. Sheppard of the conductors as follows:

"This communication is to notify you officially of the action of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen in regard to the vote submitted to them relative to a reduction of pay."

"The vote of our membership on all roads affected by such reduction and reports filed with me show in excess of 88 per cent. of the entire membership on all roads voting in favor of withdrawing from the service of their employer rather than continuing longer under the reduced rates of pay established by decision No. 147 and addenda thereto of the United States Railroad Labor Board."

"I am pledged to grant the authority

so requested and permit our membership to leave the service on any or all of the roads requesting authority to do so whenever I am officially advised by either of you that an authorized stoppage of work of the membership of your organizations has been authorized on any or more of the roads in question.

"The brotherhood's chairmen have returned home and await further advice, which of course I will give them upon receipt of the action taken by your organizations. Such chairmen will not be reconvened unless there is occasion for doing so, and I am therefore ready to cooperate with one or all of you to the fullest extent when called upon officially by you to act."

Mr. Lee said he would return to Chicago Tuesday next in order to be present when the ballots of the other organizations have all been counted and to be on hand for any action taken by them.

MT. MADISON FORESTS SAVED BY RAINFALL

Fires Destroy Thousands of Acres Before Storm.

GOHAM, N. H., Oct. 8.—A heavy rain that fell for two hours this afternoon was believed to have saved the forests of Mount Madison, at the northwestern end of the Presidential Range, from destruction by a fire that raged throughout last night.

At daybreak every available man was rushed to the burning area by Fire Warden F. C. Wood, but despite every effort the flames rapidly climbed the mountain on the Randolph side and had burned off thousands of acres of timber when the storm came.

The fire station on the mountain reported this evening that the fire was then smoldering and that danger of further loss had been averted.

TO HEAR WOOD SHIP CLAIMS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8.—A. H. Eastmond, president of the Wooden Shipbuilders Association, New York, has received permission from the Emergency Fleet Corporation to make a statement before the claims board next Tuesday on the wooden ship situation.

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Economist Would Put Ban on Speculation.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8.—Need of Government action to stabilize world exchange was urged by H. N. Lawrie, economist of the American Mining Congress, at a hearing today before the House Banking Committee on a bill by Chairman McFadden, authorizing the President to invite Great Britain and France to participate in an exchange conference here. The main problem for consideration by the conference, he added, would be elimination of speculation. He asserted:

"Any benefits from the conference on limitation of armament in reduction of great expenditures should be reflected in benefits of exchange of the countries affected. But under the present exchange system these benefits will be greatly impaired through speculation."

FOOD COST DECLINES IN 12 TESTED CITIES

Average Prices a Fourth Under Those in 1920.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8.—Retail food prices in September, says the Labor Department, declined in all except two of fourteen cities in which it conducts investigation.

Decreases amounted to 2 per cent. in Milwaukee, Minneapolis and Portland, Me., and 1 per cent. in Atlanta, Birmingham, Cincinnati, Little Rock, Louisville, Norfolk, Philadelphia and Salt Lake City. San Francisco foods retailed at prices 2 per cent. above previous findings. In Dallas there was a fractional increase and in New Haven a fractional decrease.

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